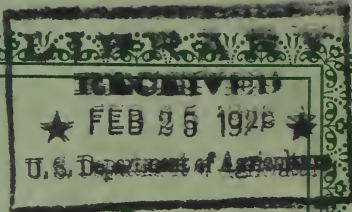


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# Metzner's

Grand Prize Strain

## Gladiolus

1928



Metzner Floral Company

Mountain View, California



# Our Gladiolus

Every variety listed in this catalogue is an original production, developed here in our nursery at Mountain View, California.

This *Grand Prize* strain is the results of years of careful selection and breeding. For vigor, size of bloom and beautiful colors, we challenge comparison with the best selections of the leading growers of the United States or other countries.

Our color descriptions are brief, and refer mainly to the outstanding color of the flower. We endeavor to use descriptive words in common use, readily understood by the public in general. We do this because color names in some catalogues are useless unless you possess a very expensive color card.

All varieties listed are of the *Standard Type*, large flowers and vigorous spikes. We offer no *Primulinus Hybrids*.

**METZNER FLORAL COMPANY**

**Mountain View**

**California**

# General Information

ORDER EARLY—Our stock in the newer and higher priced varieties is limited.

SHIPMENT—Please indicate date, to conform with the usual planting time in your locality. We suggest March 20th or later.

POSTAGE—We prepay all postage and also insure packages over two dollars in value. No charge for packing.

NON-WARRANTY—We use every reasonable precaution to keep our stock absolutely true to variety and exercise care in filling our orders with healthy bulbs or plants. If the variety received does not agree with your selection and you write us, the error will be satisfactorily adjusted.

TERMS, CASH—Please remit, where possible, by Postal or Express Money Orders. Send cash in registered letters.

ADDRESS—Be sure and sign your order with name and address plainly written or printed.

**METZNER FLORAL COMPANY**

*Plant Breeders*

**Mountain View, California**

# A Page of Prize Winners Everywhere

## MARIETTA

A delicate shade of light salmon, beautifully blended with light orange, the lower petals shading to a bright burnt orange. A marvelous Gladiolus of extra large size and splendid spike. Always admired, in great demand.

This beauty is rated by the eminent Gladiolus expert Mr. Chas. E. F. Gersdorff, as follows: Exhibition 97 per cent, Commercial 95 per cent out of a possible 100.

We believe his judgment is endorsed by every one who has purchased Marietta. Large bulbs, each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

## MRS. JOHN S. WOOD

A wonder flower, easily six inches in diameter with spikes six feet tall. The open flowers, six or more at a time, are perfectly placed.

The color is a brilliant coral, the lower petals gradually blending from salmon into a scarlet tone, mingled with sulphur.

This Gladiolus is now grown in many foreign lands and throughout the United States. All who have seen it praise its beauty. The demand is greatly in excess of the supply. A grand exhibition flower. Large bulbs each 50 cents; dozen \$5.00.

## ROSE ASH

Our original introduction and named by our Mr. Metzner. A general favorite in the United States and many foreign lands. First listed in our catalogue in 1916, it has by reason of its high standard of quality and beauty of color, caught the public eye, and no collection of Gladiolus, large or small, is complete without it.

ROSE ASH—An exquisite blending of light old rose and ashes of roses, lightened up in the throat with a golden tinge; fine formation, ruffled and fluted petals. Like a magnet, sure to attract; tall sturdy spikes, straight as an arrow. Large bulbs each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

## STANFORD

This wonderful Gladiolus, a pure dark cardinal splashed with black and covered with a velvety sheen that glistens like the sparkling dew, added to its great size—six inches in diameter, was named, by reason of its admiration by one of the faculty, in honor of California's grand university, Stanford, and its founder Leland Stanford. This university at Palo Alto is in Santa Clara County, close to our location at Mountain View, Santa Clara Co., the birthplace of this grand flower. Bulbs each \$1.00; dozen \$10.00.

## WILLIAM G. BADGER

This glorious flower first offered by us in 1923 has met with universal favor wherever shown. The color is a delicate coral, edged with darker coral tones; throat pale yellow, sprinkled dark coral on the lower petals. The flowers, six to eight open at a time, are six inches in diameter, perfect in placement, on spikes five to six feet high.

A beauty in every respect, a sure winner everywhere. Large bulbs each \$1.00; dozen \$10.00.

## FALLEN LEAF

Dark old rose, tinted ashes of roses; lower petals, blending of light wood-brown and old rose. Grand color novelty. Fine formation. \$2.00 each.



# Named Varieties

## *Standard Types—No Primulinus*

**ABALONE**—Light lilac rose, creamy throat, lowers bright yellow sprinkled and edged rose, orchid lip; large blooms, tall spike. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

**ACME**—Pastel rose, lower petals are sprinkled dark rose over cream. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

**ADRIAN**—Cream white, outer edges of petals tinted bright rose pink; lowers covered with solid blotch of bright carmine; round open flower, large size, with tall spike; a good keeper. Late bloomer. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

**ALICE EASTWOOD**—A true cerise or velvety cherry, upper petals deep rose cherry with a faint stripe showing; a light flaking of dark orange adds to the richness of color tone. Lower petals covered with a ruby crimson faintly edged with cream white. Spikes 4 to 5 feet tall, with six or more flowers open at a time and five inches in diameter. An exceptionally fine variety. Price \$2.00 each.

**ALPINE TREASURE**—Light lilac over white ground, brightening to throat; lower petals white edged deep lilac; orchid type; fine open flower. Each 20 cents; dozen \$2.00.

**ALTA**—Cream white, faintly tinged delicate rose; pointed petals. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

**AMAZON**—Blending of cream and flesh pink; large flowers and good spike; tendency to bloom all around the spike at the top. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

**AMBER JEWEL**—Copper red blending to garnet, self-tones; very attractive; good open flowers. Each 50 cents.

**ANTIOCH**—Light salmon, shading to pale orange in throat; tall growing, fine color, large open flower; a general favorite. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

**ARTIST**—Milk white, edged delicate lavender, canary lowers, with faint sprinkle of lavender and hair line lavender stripes. Each 20 cents; dozen \$2.00.

**BAHIA**—Bright cherry crimson, lower petals darker shade, strong spike, showy flower. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

**BLUE JACKET**—Rich purple, lower petals deep blue purple; large wide open flowers, tall vigorous spikes. Each 50 cents.

**BOLD WARRIOR**—Milk white, lightly tinged lavender on the extreme edge of petals; lips light canary with feathering of ruby. A ruffled variety. Five-inch flowers on a tall spike, vigorous habit. Large bulbs each \$1.00.

**BUNKER HILL**—Bright crimson, lower petals heavily covered a bright yellow; fine large flowers; very showy. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

**CABERNET**—A blending of maroon and blue purple, making a rich tone of wine color. Exceptionally large flowers, well placed and many open; extra tall spikes. Each \$5.00.



CHALLENGE—American beauty pink, lower petals sprinkled cream white. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

CHOSEN QUEEN—Rose cerise, lighter to throat lower petals solid deep rose, shaded lighter tones to outer edge; very large; splendid type. Each 35 cents; dozen \$3.50.

CINDERELLA—A delicate light rose, the lower petals light primrose; fine bloom and spike; excellent keeper and exquisite under electric light. Each 50 cents; dozen \$5.00.

COLONIAL—Pale lilac pink, combined with golden yellow; orchid type. Each 25 cents; dozen, \$2.50.

CONSTANCY—Bright rose, very velvety; lowers shade darker, central stripe of purple cast Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

COPPER QUEEN—A wonderful blending of old rose and bright copper. Rich new color tints; wide open flowers 6 inches in diameter well placed on a tall graceful spike. Each \$5.00.

DELLA THOMPSON—Pure salmon rose with white central stripe; lower petals and throat pale yellow, faintly sprinkled salmon; very clear color tones; strong tall spike with flowers well spaced; a choice variety. Each 50 cents.

DELMAR—Light lavender shading to light blue purple, narrow stripe of pale yellow. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

DIRIGO—Bright scarlet shading to darker tones on the outer edges; lower petals creamy yellow, overlaid with rich cardinal. Large flowers, six open at a time, tall, straight spike. A seedling out of Bunker Hill, of equal vigor, but of a decided red. Large bulbs each \$1.00.

DR. C. E. ADAMS—Pure white, faintly tinged with pale rose lavender on the outer edge of petals. Throat almost a pure white with a very faint tinge of pale primrose running out to pale pink; rich as an orchid. Large flowers on a tall spike, well placed with six or more open flowers at a time makes this gladiolus a beauty for exhibition or florist's use. Large bulbs each \$3.00.

FALLEN LEAF—Dark old rose, tinted ashes of roses; lower petals, blending of light wood-brown and old rose. Grand color novelty. Fine formation. Each \$2.00.

FLAMBEAU—Brilliant flaming scarlet, solid color tones, very heavily ruffled; broad open flowers, strong tall spikes. An attractive color. Each 75 cents.

FLORENCE YOUNG—Pure white, tinged delicate lavender, lower petals have solid blotch of dark lavender; fine open flower; slightly ruffled. Each 20 cents; dozen \$2.00.

GIANT PANSY—A clear, light mauve overlaid with a heavy blotch of dark, velvety mauve on the lower petals. A fine large flower well placed on a tall, straight spike with many open flowers at a time. Bulbs each \$2.00.

GOLDEN STATE—Pale salmon flesh overlaid golden orange; lower petals dark golden yellow with feathering of oriental red. Six to eight open flowers at a time, ranging from 5 to 6 inches in diameter. Spikes 5 to 6 feet tall. Bulbs each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

GOOD GRACIOUS—Pale pink blending to clear rose-pink towards the outer edge of petals. Lower petals brilliant rose carmine. Petals are fluted and of thick and leathery texture. Flowers 5 to 6 inches in diameter. Spikes may require staking. Bulbs each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

GRANADA—Crushed strawberry blending with dark pomegranate; lower petals sulphur spotted pomegranate, with a coppery tinge. Large open flowers, tall spikes with side laterals. Each 50 cents.

HARMONY—Light lilac pink, lower petals shading darker, canary stripe. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50

HIGH NOON—Bright salmon overlaid with flesh pink, lower petals canary gradually shading to creamy yellow and faintly sprinkled ruby. A central dash of yellow runs almost to the outer edge of each petal. Thin wiry spike four to five feet tall, with flowers  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter with usually eight open at a time. A fancy flower for florist trade. Each \$1.00.

IMPERIAL—Light rose salmon broad open flower on strong spike. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

INVINCIBLE—Lilac, shaded lighter to throat, lower petals straw with feather of bright ruby. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

JOHN E. PEABODY—Dark rose pink, or rather a light American beauty; very large open flower, well placed and spikes over five feet tall; much admired in our trial ground. Each 75 cents; dozen \$7.50.

JUANITA—White tinted pink, lower petals nelrose; very large flower; grand sipke. Each 50 cents; dozen \$5.00.

LINDA—Cream with brilliant carmine blotch; fine large flowers, many open; tall spikes. Each 50 cents; dozen \$5.00.

MADRONE—Bright rose-pink, solid tones, large wide open flowers, tall spike. Each 50 cents.

MAGNOLIA—Lemon white, with crimson marking; fine spike. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

MANZANITA—Steel blue overlaid light plum, stripe of pomegranate in center of each petal; lower petals tinged ruby; large flowers on strong spike. A good novelty. Each 50 cents.

MARIETTA—A delicate shade of light salmon, beautifully blended with light orange, the lower petals shading to a bright burnt orange. A marvelous Gladiolus of extra large size and splendid spike. Always admired, in great demand. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

- MARIPOSA—Buttercup yellow, tinted delicate rose; lower petals mandarin orange blotch; heavy foliage, tall spike, fine flower. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.
- MASCOT—Wine, shading to dark maroon; lower petals creamy yellow; covered garnet. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.
- MECCA—Light lilac blending to clear lavender; lower petals pale yellow, edged rich cattleya purple; orchid type. Each \$1.00.
- MINERVA—Light lavender pink with central stripe of cream white; lower petals cream with a short feather of dark purple. Large flower and fine placement on a good spike, six or more open. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.
- MODOC—Dark cherry scarlet with cardinal markings on lower petals; broad open flowers on a tall spike. A bright showy red. Each 50 cents; dozen \$5.00.
- MORENA—Pastel lavender, shading to lilac; lower petals covered deep royal crimson, heavily ruffled; spikes 5 feet tall. Each \$2.00.
- MRS. JOHN S. WOOD—A wonder flower, easily six inches in diameter with spikes six feet tall. The open flowers, six or more at a time, are perfectly placed. The color is a brilliant coral, the lower petals gradually blending from salmon into a scarlet tone, mingled with sulphur. Each 50 cents; dozen \$5.00.
- NABOB—Light scarlet on outer edges blending to flesh tone in throat; lowers covered cream white, with central stripe cream in all petals; large open flowers and fine spike with side laterals. Each 50 cents.
- NELLIE GRANT—A dark nelrose or American beauty crimson, shading lighter to throat; central stripe of garnet on lower petals; very rich color tones and velvety; short, round form of petals; large open flowers and tall spike; admired wherever shown. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.
- NORA WILSON—Cream white overlaid and edged pale rose pink; lower petals darker self tones and dark rose pink covering; good type and tall spike. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.
- ORIENTAL BEAUTY—Rose cerise tinged old rose, flaked dark burnt orange and steel blue; lower petals light sulphur, spotted rose ruby. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.
- ORION—Good scarlet, shaded cardinal to throat; excellent variety. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.
- OROSI—A ruffled orange flame, lower petals dark orange with cardinal stripe, and lightly sprinkled white. A vigorous grower, with side laterals and heavily ruffled. Flowers  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter and extra tall spikes. Bulbs each 50 cents.
- PASSION FLOWER—Pure cardinal with sprinkling of white in throat; lower petals covered dark garnet. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.
- PEERLESS—Pale lavender pink over white ground; lower petals covered with solid feather of light purple. Ruffled, six open flowers five inches in diameter; very tall. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.
- PENNANT—Cherry scarlet, very rich-velvety color tone; faint touch of white in throat. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

**POLAR STAR**—The only white variety receiving a Gold Medal at the P. P. I. E. This variety was officially recorded under this name, was never known under any other name and the award of a Gold Medal given to Metzner Floral Co., of Mountain View, California, owners of the exhibit. Bulbs 15 cents each; dozen \$1.50.

**PSYCHE**—Light salmon rose; always admired; a veritable orchid. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

**PURITAN GIRL**—Pearl white, edged lavender, lower petals covered with a heavy blotch of dark ruby purple. Flowers  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter, spikes 4 to 5 feet tall. Bulbs each 50 cents.

**QUEEN ESTHER**—Brilliant red purple, shading darker to outer edges; lower petals covered with gold and sprinkled purple; five-inch blooms; six to eight open at a time; strong spikes five to six feet tall. Each 75 cents.

**RAGTEN**—Light garnet, lower petals shaded dark garnet, creamy throat, blue purple marking. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

**REDONDO**—Rich dark red, overlaid with clear garnet blotch over white ground on lower petals. Large flowers, six open at a time, well placed on a fine spike. Bulbs each 25 cents.

**RED COAT**—Showy combination of bright scarlet upper and bright yellow lower petals. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

**REGENT**—Lemon white, tinged bright rose pink on outer edge of petals, lowers pale primrose, with brilliant rose pink blotch, large flower, well placed, fine spike with side laterals, heavily ruffled. Each 50 cents.

**RHODA**—Salmon, slightly flaked darker self tones; always admired. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

**RIALTO**—Light pink with dark cherry cerise in every petal; very large flower; vigorous spike. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

**ROMANTIC**—Pale flesh, shaded salmon rose and splashed pure orange; lower petals orange with ruby marking, fluted edges; six or more wide open flowers on tall strong spikes. Each \$2.00.

**ROSENA**—Bright rose, lower petals clear soft tones of a deeper shade, central stripe of canary, no other markings; graceful spikes. Good commercial type. \$1.50.

**ROSENEL**—Clear nelrose, lower petals garnet; rare color tones. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

**ROSE ASH**—An exquisite blending of light old rose and ashes of roses, lightened up in the throat with a golden tinge; fine formation, ruffled and fluted petals. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

**ROYAL CROWN**—Clear lilac shading to cattleya purple, lower petals circled deeper cattleya purple and brightened with a short narrow dash of white. Extra tall wiry spike. Each \$2.50.

**SALMO**—Medium shade of salmon, turning to darker self tones; large open flower. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

**SCOTLAND**—Ivory white, lower petals deep cream; solid blotch of ruby; heavily ruffled; fine form and color. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

SEA GULL—Milk white, the lower petals tinged with golden yellow overlaid with a faint touch of ruby. Broad open flowers, five inches in diameter with six or more open at a time. Tall, strong spike. A vigorous seedling out of Polar Star. Bulbs each 75 cents; dozen \$7.50.

SELECTION—White ground edges tipped lavender; star type; large flower, fine coloring. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

SHASTA—Clear copper red, lower petals shading to cardinal; round open flowers on a good straight spike. Each 50 cents.

SILVER MOON—Milk white; has many admirers. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

SOUTHERN SKIES—Light crushed strawberry, flaked and splashed a delicate old rose, lighter to throat; lower petals clear canary edged old rose, orchid type; lower petals turn back tightly. Flowers  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter with eight open flowers showing at a time; tall flower spike. A very attractive flower. Each \$1.50.

STANFORD—A pure dark cardinal splashed with black and covered with a velvety sheen that glistens like the sparkling dew; six inches in diameter. Bulbs each \$1.00; dozen \$10.00.

SUMMER DREAM—Light American beauty pink, shading to white in the throat; lower petals white, edged rose pink. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

SUNKIST—A wonderful shade of clear, bright, golden orange, lightly touched with orange flame on the lower petals; very large broad open flowers on a splendid spike. A seedling out of Marietta and of exceptional beauty. Bulbs each \$5.00.

TEN STRIKE—Salmon pink, lower petals bright scarlet edging over canary; extra good. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

THE PILOT—A rose blended white, ruffled. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

WHITE DOVE—Milk white, with very faint tinge of pale primrose on lower petals. Short feather of delicate lavender. Very tall vigorous spikes and usually with several laterals. Round petals, fine open flower of good form and extra large size. A combination exhibition and florist type. Bulbs each \$1.00; dozen \$10.00.

WHITE ROSE—Lemon white, lower petals primrose with very narrow cardinal stripe. The petals are of unusual form, are round and of equal length, curling around each other as they open, presenting the appearance of an opening rosebud. Flowers of good size and long spike. Bulbs each 50 cents.

WILLIAM G. BADGER—The color is a delicate coral, edged with darker coral tones; throat pale yellow, sprinkled dark coral on the lower petals. The flowers, six to eight open at a time, are six inches in diameter, perfect in placement, on spikes five to six feet high. Each \$1.00; dozen \$10.00.



**YELLOW JACKET**—Light canary yellow, with lower petals of golden yellow. Each 10 cents; dozen \$1.00.

**YELLOW PRIZE**—Withdrawn this season.

**YOLO**—Extra large flower of bright cerise, shading to scarlet; lower petals tinted cream and overlaid with cardinal spot. Each 35 cents; dozen \$3.50.

**YOSEMITE**—Rich salmon rose, well ruffled; a choice variety. Each 15 cents; dozen \$1.50.

**ZEPHYR'S GIFT**—Light rose pink over white ground; outer half of petals shading to a dark royal rose pink; lower petals very velvety, of deep rose pink, with central stripe of maroon; round shape petals; large flower. Each 25 cents; dozen \$2.50.

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### EXTRACT FROM AN ARTICLE IN "GARDENING ILLUSTRATED"

A Leading English Publication

Dated Dec. 3, 1927, in which the writer reviews his experience and impression of many new and largely advertised gladiolus, some few appealing; others much over rated.

"Metzner's Marietta is a real beauty and should soon become well known in this country.

"It is one of those flowers that you keep on looking at just to satisfy the appetite for loveliness.

The Metzner Floral Company's own description is 'a delicate shade of light salmon blended light orange, the lower petals shading to bright burnt orange.'

"The blooms are large, roundly shaped, and poised well on the straight spike."

Similar testimonials by others in Australia, Canada, and various sections of the United States describe the merit and beauty of Stanford, Mrs. John S. Wood, William G. Badger, Fallen Leaf, Cabernet, Rose Ash, Hazel Shattuck and many others, everyone, an original development in our garden here at Mountain View, Santa Clara Co., California.

We have a score or more in prospect that will rank considerably higher in value when introduced.

"We aim to lead."

**Metzner Floral Company**  
**Mountain View, California**

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## Our New Offerings

DAISY FARVER—Flesh overlaid with pure orange; lower petals light golden orange blending with scarlet and burnt orange. Very large open flowers, well placed on tall spike. Each \$5.00.

EVENING—Light cattleya purple with lower petals of dark cattleya purple, rich color tones, very velvety. Large open flowers on tall spike. Each \$3.00.

EVERIL—Light coral blending to orange, lower petals bright yellow; faintly sprinkled orange, good keeper. Each \$1.00.

LASSEN FLAME—A brilliant clear cherry scarlet with throat markings of pure white. Large flowers on tall spikes. Bulbs each \$1.50.

PINK ORCHID—A delicate shell pink blending to cream white; lower petals light primrose; edged light pink; slightly ruffled. Large flowers, good spike. Bulbs each, \$1.50.

ROYALE—Dark blue purple, rich color tones. Not a large flower but well placed on a long spike. Bulbs each, 50 cents.

ROYAL ROSE—A deep, clear rose, lower petals rose scarlet; good flower, splendid spike. Bulbs each \$1.00.

HAZEL SHATTUCK—Cream tinged lavender pink; lower petals touched faint lavender with central stripe of pale yellow. The outer edge of all petals very delicately and evenly ruffled. Extra large flowers well placed on tall spikes, splendid keeper as a flower. A perfect orchid. Probably the choicest gladiolus introduced by Metzner Floral Company. Bulbs each \$50.00. (Limited.) Bulblets \$5.00 each.



## Special Combination Sets

We have arranged a series of choice bulbs in special collections, allowing a liberal discount.

We reserve the right to substitute a variety of equal value should our supply be exhausted.  
Order sets by name.

### ANTIOCH SET

Antioch.....	\$0.25
Bahia.....	.15
Constancy.....	.15
Delmar.....	.10
Challenge.....	.10
Minerva.....	.25
Ragten.....	.10
Rhoda.....	.25
Yosemite.....	.15
Zephyr's Gift.....	.25

Value.....\$1.75

**Special Price, \$1.50 Net**

### BLUE JACKET SET

Blue Jacket.....	\$0.50
Colonial.....	.25
Florence Young.....	.20
Mariposa.....	.25
Modoc.....	.50
Nabob.....	.50
Polar Star.....	.15
Summer Dream.....	.25
Ten Strike.....	.25
The Pilot.....	.25

Value.....\$3.10

**Special Price, \$2.50 Net**

### CAMEO SUPER SET

Cameo-Super.....	\$0.50
Abalone.....	.25
Bunker Hill.....	.15
Mecca.....	1.00
Minerva.....	.25
Mrs. John S. Wood.....	.50
Nellie Grant.....	.15
Rose Ash.....	.10
Shasta.....	.50
White Dove.....	1.00

Value.....\$4.40

**Special Price, \$3.50 Net**

### CHOSEN QUEEN SET

Chosen Queen.....	\$0.35
Good Gracious.....	.25
Della Thompson.....	.50
Granada.....	.50
John E. Peabody.....	.50
Peerless.....	.25
Psyche.....	.25
Regent.....	.50
Royal Crown.....	2.50
Sea Gull.....	.75

Value.....\$6.35

**Special Price, \$5.00 Net**

### ALICE EASTWOOD SET

Alice Eastwood.....	\$2.00
Giant Pansy.....	2.00
Lassen Flame.....	1.50
Stanford.....	1.00
William G. Badger.....	1.00

Value.....\$7.50

**Special Price, \$6.00 Net**

### CABERNET SET

Cabernet.....	\$5.00
Copper Queen.....	5.00
Dr. C. E. Adams.....	3.00
Fallen Leaf.....	2.00
Sunkist.....	5.00

Value.....\$20.00

**Special Price, \$15.00 Net**

Combined sets. Alice Eastwood and Cabernet.

Large.....	\$20.00
Medium.....	\$15.00
Small.....	\$10.00
Bulblets.....	\$2.50

In any of these Special Sets buyers are permitted to substitute one or two varieties of equal value.

## Our “Try Out” Offer

Every season we find Gladiolus of promise in our seedling beds. A few of unusual promise are retained for another test. Varieties that seem meritorious, after a subsequent period, find their place in our “Try Out” section. We then endeavor to obtain an unbiased opinion from others who grow gladiolus in other soil and in other climates. We look for written reports; where these are favorable we then name and hold for future increase and listing in our catalogue.

In response to many requests we again offer 30 promising varieties for this test. The supply is limited and not over ten varieties sold to any one purchaser. The price is uniform to all—\$1.00 each. For a nominal sum you may secure a gladiolus that some specialist would name and offer at a fancy figure.

Buyers only are advised of the names when assigned at a future date, meanwhile they are enabled to increase their holdings or submit an offer to purchase the stock we hold. All sold at \$1.00 each, large size bulbs. We expect in return written reports of your test.

## Dollar Limit ADVERTISING SETS

Selected seedlings, somewhat similar to varieties already named or types rejected in our *Try Out* section we set aside for sale, for less than their intrinsic value, in our

### *Dollar Limit Sets*

One dozen No. 1 size bulbs for .....	\$1.00
or	
Two dozen planting size for .....	1.00

The bulbs are not named as to variety, however, no two alike in any set. A collection of four distinct sets or 48 different colors for \$3.50.

Be sure and indicate *Planting Size* if you desire these in preference to the large sized bulbs.

Some very choice seedlings are to be found in these assortments.

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### FLOWER CLUBS—ATTENTION!

Regularly organized Flower Clubs sending a list of their members with addresses, certified by the President or Secretary will receive, free of cost, some choice gladiolus bulbs for distribution to their members.

### GLADIOLUS IN MIXTURE

Our purpose is to improve the standard of gladiolus by careful selection and cross-breeding producing extra choice flowers for exhibition and commercial use.

A very limited number out of thousands of seedlings meet our test and requirements, the balance find their place in our special mixture. There are but few, if any, duplicates and many choice and rare varieties are to be had at a fraction of their intrinsic value. We have a limited quantity this season.

Price \$5.00 per 100—50 at the hundred rate. Postage paid. Not subject to discount.

Try this mixture. You will be pleased.

### SPECIAL DISCOUNTS

On bulb orders ranging in value from \$3.00 to \$10.00 we allow 5% discount. On orders over \$10.00 we allow 10% discount. Discount does not apply, however, to special assortments, mixtures or seeds and plants.

### PLANTING SIZES—BULBLETS

In the newer varieties quoted at one dollar each and upwards we will, as far as possible, furnish *Medium* ( $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 inch) size bulbs at  $\frac{3}{4}$  the quoted price, *Small* ( $\frac{1}{2}$  inch) at one-half the quoted price for large or number one bulbs.

*Bulblets* of varieties listed at one dollar each and upwards at  $\frac{1}{10}$  the quoted price or one dozen bulblets at price quoted for each bulb.

**NOTE.** We send the American Gladiolus Society cultural instructions with every order.

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THE METZNER FLORAL CO. recommends membership in the American Gladiolus Society. Dues, \$2.00 a year. Every member receives a copy of the *Monthly Review* published by the society.

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# Perennial Seeds and Plants

## GERANIUMS

We grow sixty or more different colors, mainly single types. Our strain produces extra large size flowers, long stems and large trusses. Our seed is sure to produce vigorous plants and many beautiful colors.

## GAILLARDIAS

We call attention to our seedling variety *Golden West*. A pure bright yellow throughout, both disc and petals. Long wiry stems, flowers over four inches in diameter, good keeping qualities. A superior cut flower.

Our *Grandiflora* strain embraces a broad range of colors on long wiry stems and flowers five inches in diameter. A splendid Florist type.

Geranium Seed, packet . . . . .	\$0.25
Gaillardia <i>Golden West</i> , packet . . . . .	.25
Gaillardia <i>Grandiflora</i> , packet . . . . .	.25

## GLADIOLUS SEED, GRAND PRIZE STRAIN

Seedling bed mixture, packet . . . . .	\$0.50
Private stock mixture, packet . . . . .	1.00

## DELPHINIUMS

We grow in separate beds strains from several leading English and Scotch specialists; also the famous Wrexholm strain.

We have a large collection of the wonderful California strain, *Vanderbilt's Hybrids*, which for color combinations and vigor is unequalled.

During the past year we have made some crosses, selecting as the parent plants the cream of all types in our garden. The seed saved we offer in a very limited quantity as M. F. Co. strain. We anticipate some choice flowers as a result of our efforts.

## DELPHINIUM SEED

English, mixture, per packet . . . . .	\$0.50
Wrexholm, mixture, per packet . . . . .	.50
Vanderbilt, mixture, per packet . . . . .	.50
M. F. Co., mixture, per packet . . . . .	.50

## GERBERAS (*Transvaal Daisies*)

These grow to perfection in our soil and enjoy the climate of Santa Clara Valley. The flowers, three inches or more in diameter, are produced singly, on pliable stems, from 20 to 30 inches high.

A very limited amount of seed is produced during the season and soon loses vitality. We send out fresh seed only. Seed over a year old is worthless.

After years of patient selection and crossing we have a range of probably fifty or sixty distinctive colors embracing many shades of red, salmon, copper, amber, cerise, rose-pink, lilac and other delicate shades such as buff, maize and coral.

Cut flowers last from ten days to two weeks, and for grace and refinement have no equal.

*Gerbera Seed*, mixture, per packet . . . . . \$0.50

*Gerbera Plants, Assorted*, dozen . . . . . \$4.00

6 plants, \$2.00; or 3 plants, \$1.15.

### IRIS, "GLADWIN"

An ornamental and hardy iris. The bluish flowers, on stems 30 or more inches high, are followed by seed pods two to three inches long, filled with bright orange-red berries, almost as large as garden peas.

These remain on the wide opened pods for several months and are valuable for decorative purposes in vases or general display.

We offer strong roots at 50 cents each or \$5.00 per dozen.

Six sold at dozen rate.

Seed—a limited supply this season, packet (20 seeds) . . . . . \$0.25

100 Seeds . . . . . 1.00

Plants and seed ready for spring delivery.

## Plants—Plants

Strong rooted plants by mail, prepaid.

*Geraniums*, assorted colors, dozen . . . . . \$1.50

*Gaillardia*—Golden West, yellow, dozen . . . . . \$2.50

*Gaillardia*—Grandiflora, assorted, dozen . . . . . 1.50

*Gerberas* (Transvaal Daisies), assorted 6 colors to doz., dozen . . . . . \$4.00

*Delphiniums*, assorted colors, dozen . . . . . \$2.50

6 plants at the dozen rate.

Try a few of the above plants in your garden. We feel confident you will be pleased with your purchase.



Metzner's

Grand Prize Strain

Gladiolus

